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SUBJECT: MAJOR PROJECT: IFFCO PROPOSES NEW UREA FERTILIZER PLANT

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1. MR. V.R. JOHARAPURKAR, MANAGER (PLANNING), INDIAN FARMERS FERTILIZER COOP LTD., (IFFCO), MANSAROVAR BUILDING, 90 NEHRU PLACE, NEW DELHI 19 PROVIDED FOLLOWING INFO REGARDING PROPOSED UREA FERTILIZER PLANT.

2. IFFCO PLANT IS ONE OF FOUR PROPOSED NEW UREA FERTILIZER PLANTS TO BE ESTABLISHED USING NATURAL GAS FROM OFFSHORE BOMBAY HIGH AND BASSEIN FIELDS AS FEED-STOCK. OTHER THREE PLANTS WOULD BE SET UP BY FERTILIZER CORPORATION OF INDIA (FCI).

3. IFFCO IS AT LEAST ONE TO ONE AND A HALF YEARS AWAY FROM ISSUING TENDERS FOR ITS NEW PLANT. NO SITE HAS YET BEEN SELECTED.

4. PLANNED PRODUCTION OF 1350 METRIC TONS OF AMMONIA PER DAY WILL SUPPLY PLANT PRODUCING 1800-2000 METRIC TONS PER DAY OF UREA FERTILIZER. ANY SURPLUS AMMONIA WILL BE SOLD TO OTHER USERS.

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5. TOTAL COST OF PROJECT IS ESTIMATED AT US DOLS250 MILLION. FINANCING IS YET TO BE ARRANGED, BUT WILL MOST LIKELY BE WORLD BANK (IDA) LOAN OR BILATERAL FINANCING SUCH AS BRITISH AID CREDITS.

6. ACCORDING TO MR. JOHARAPURKAR, ONLY COMPANIES BEING

CONSIDERED FOR ENGINEERING CONSULTANCY CONTRACT
ARE TEOH (JAPAN) AND PULLMAN-KELLOGG (US). ENGINEERING
CONTRACT WILL BE FINANCED INTERNALLY TO ENABLE
IFFCO TO CHOOSE ENGINEERING CONTRACTOR WITHOUT HAVING
TO CALL FOR GLOBAL TENDERS OR TO AWARD CONTRACT TO AID
DONOR COUNTRY.

7. PULLMAN-KELLOGG PROVIDED ENGINEERING CONSULTANCY
SERVICES FOR IFFCO'S PRESENT FERTILIZER COMPLEX.
IFFCO IS PLEASED WITH WORK OF PULLMAN -KELLOGG AS
BOTH PLANTS ARE OPERATING EFFICIENTLY AND PRODUCING
AT ALMOST 100 PERCENT OF CAPACITY.

8. EMBASSY IS CHECKING WITH FCI REGARDING ITS PLANS
FOR NEW FERTILIZER PLANTS.GOHEEN

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